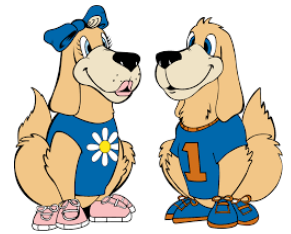


Eliot River Elementary

Mission Statement: Making choices for positive learning



Upcoming Important Dates:

Friday, May 5th	Professional Learning Day, Area Association / CUPE 3260 Annual Convention (no classes)
Friday, May 19th	Professional Learning Day (no classes)
Monday, May 22nd	Statutory Holiday (no classes)
Thursday June 8th	Spring Fling (matinee and evening performances) * more info to follow
Tuesday June 13th	Eliot River "Thank You" Social 5-6:30pm
Wednesday June 21st	Grade 4 - End of Year Field Trip to Shining Waters Grade 6 - End of Year Field Trip to Magic Mountain (Moncton)
Thursday June 22nd	Grade 5 - End of Year Field Trip to Sandspit
Wednesday June 28th	Grade 6 Closing Ceremonies * more info to follow Last Day of Classes

Easter Seals: ICYMI... Eliot River more than surpassed our goal of raising \$9000 for Easter Seals in support of our ambassadors, Katelyn and Meghan Rogers. There was a lot of emotion on April 19th, when we revealed our grand total, a staggering \$25,128.70. This is the largest amount ever raised by a school in the history of the Easter Seals Ambassador Tour in PEI. We are so proud of our school community! When we heard that Katelyn and Meghan had been chosen as this year's ambassadors, teachers and students quickly started planning, organizing, and hosting small fundraisers in their classrooms, a team came together to start larger fundraising efforts (Anne's Chocolates), and then our larger school community went above and beyond to support every single one of our small and big fundraising efforts. This team effort was truly inspiring on so many levels. We want to thank each and every one of you who baked, sent in money, and purchased chocolates. If you missed our "reveal" video, please visit this link: [📺 Easter Seals Eliot River 2023](#)

Grade 6 Closing: We will be hosting our Grade 6 Closing ceremonies on Tuesday June 28th. The ceremonies will be held in our new activity room. The schedule is as follows:

9:00- 9:30am	6G - Doucette
9:45-10:15am	6F - McCarron
10:30-11:00am	6E - Larsen
11:15am-11:45am	6D - Vos

12:00-12:30pm	6C - Bradley
12:45-1:15pm	6B - Ibersiene/Dennis
1:30-2pm	6A - Thompson

Pick Up/Drop Off during the school day: Thanks for your patience as we try to get our new doors and entrances up and operational. A reminder that if you are picking up or dropping off your child during the day, you can still park by the blue shed (off Terry Fox Place) and take the sidewalk along the construction zone to our side door. Once inside, follow the hallway down to our main office. All students leaving early or being dropped off late need to be signed in and out of our main office.

Thank You Social: Save the date of Tuesday June 13th from 5-6:30pm for a drop in community social so that we can show our appreciation for all of your support this year, show off some of our new spaces, and celebrate some of the work we have been doing in the school this year on social emotional learning, and our theme of Resiliency. More information will follow.

New Grade 4 Orientation: There will be an orientation for current Grade 3 students from Westwood Primary on Thursday June 1st. We will be offering two sessions, the first at 4:30 p.m. and the second at 5:15 p.m. Please choose whichever session works best for your family. Please meet in the activity room for a quick presentation followed by a tour with the Grade 4 teachers. For parking, you have two options:

- Off Terry Fox Place - park by the blue shed or Terry Fox parking lot and enter the school by following the sidewalk in front of the construction fencing to the side door. Activity room is just down the hall on the left.
- Off Hilltop Drive - park anywhere in the parking lot and enter via the new main entrance of the school. Activity room is to the right.

Home and School: Our Home and School Committee is looking for members, as most of our Executive will be aging out this year with their children. We are looking for any parents who would like the opportunity to be involved in our school association. It's a great way to share all the wonderful things happening at our school, ask questions, and become partners in your child's education. We meet 3-4 times a year. Our next meeting will be in mid-September. If you are interested in joining, please contact eliotriverhs@hotmail.com for more information.

The Gift of Failure – Jessica Lahey:

This month's quote is a good reminder for those of us parenting kids in the middle school years. At this age, children start to forge a bit of independence and identity separate from parents. New friends, opinions and thoughts that may differ from ours as children grow and start to define themselves as individuals. As parents, this can be hard and unsettling, but as Jessica Lahey reminds us:

The process of separating from us began for our children the moment we set them down on the kitchen floor and they took their first steps away from us. Every milestone - first step, first word, first day of school, first date - marks the stages of the journey toward an independent life. Our job is not to protect them from their failures along the way, but to help them cope with setbacks

as they occur, because when they move out of their childhood home and begin to forge their own path, they are going to need all the resources and tools we can give them.” Pg. 159

Do you follow us? At Eliot River, we use emails, newsletters, and social media to share all the fun things going on in our building. Please follow us at:

Instagram: @eliotriver

Facebook: ERES

Twitter: @eliot_river

Home and School on Facebook: Eliot River Home and School

Home and School News, May 2023

1. School Bus Driver Award

Nominate a school bus driver to receive recognition for keeping our children safe as they travel to and from school from September to June during school year. Submission date:

Friday, May 5, 2023

More at: [School Bus Driver of the Year Award - PEI Home and School Federation \(peihsf.ca\)](https://peihsf.ca)

2. Post-AGM

Thank you to Local Associations for attending the 70th Annual Meeting & Conference. The meeting's slideshows, round table summary, minutes, and resolutions are being posted on our website when finalized. Go to: <https://peihsf.ca/agm/>

3. Public Schools Branch

The PSB Review of Schools Study Report is available and can be found under News & Updates at: <https://psb.edu.pe.ca/news-updates>

4. School Trustees Board Meeting

The Public Schools Branch Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 7:30 p.m. at Montague Regional High, 274 Valleyfield Road, Rte. 326, Lower Montague or via Webex at:

[PSB Board of Trustees](#). Any member of the public who wishes to make a presentation to the Board must submit a written request to the Public Schools Branch by 4 p.m. on April 27, 2023 to: sxgauthier@edu.pe.ca. Call 902-368-6850 for additional information or to register to attend.

5. School Calendar

The Department of Education & Early Years released the 2023-2024 School Calendar, April 17. The first school day for students is Sept. 7. More at: [2023-2024 School Calendar | Government of Prince Edward Island](#)

6. 70th AGM Report

PEI Home and School Federation president, Dionne Tuplin will include an AGM report in May newspaper column to be published on Friday, May 5 and online at: [News - PEI Home and School Federation \(peihsf.ca\)](#)

Community News

*The items contained under "community news" are information sharing only.
Eliot River Elementary does not endorse or screen events or items.*

Town of Cornwall Summer Camps

To register or for more information please call 902-628-6260

Sports and Adventure Camp – Ages 7 – 12

Are you looking to enroll your child in a summer camp where they get the best of both worlds? In the Sports and Adventure Camp your child will be introduced to a variety of sports while also getting to learn about nature and the great outdoors. This camp will also include other fun camp experiences such as daily swimming, field trips, active games and so much more.

The Sports and Adventure Camp will keep your child active and engaged during the beautiful summer months. This camp is designed to be a fun-filled atmosphere while having the opportunity to be outdoors, meet new people, play games, and experience team building activities. Our mission is to provide a safe and positive learning environment for children ages 7-12.

COST: FULL SUMMER RESIDENT RATE: \$ 1275.00 /summer

FULL SUMMER NON-RESIDENT RATE: \$ 1375.00

WEEKLY: \$ 150.00 / WEEK NOTE: WEEK # 1 \$ 60.00 & WEEK # 8 - \$ 125.00 / WEEK

*Part time spaces only available if space permits.

On the Move – Ages 10 – 12

Is your pre-teen / teen dreading the whole summer day camp experience? Are they generally bored with summer camp after a couple of weeks? This camp will be different and will provide a variety of experiences that will create positive and unforgettable summer memories. Campers will visit several tourist areas, they will experience Island cultures, and participate in outdoor adventures. Several communities across the Island host a variety of festivals and events in which we hope to experience as much as possible.

Your child will meet new friends, enjoy new experiences, and develop new skills in a safe and secure environment. The program also includes swimming lessons, daily outdoor activities, sports, arts and crafts, and theme days. We will be incorporating swimming as much as possible throughout the

summer whether it is at our local pool or one of PEI's finest beaches. The program will be held at the Terry Fox Sports Complex which will be set up with a variety of activities to keep your preteen / teen busy when they are not on the road. PLEASE NOTE: This camp will require a minimum number of participants.

DATES: June 29 – September 1

TIME: 7:30am – 4:30pm

AGES: 10 – 14yrs

FULL SUMMER RESIDENT RATE: \$1400.00

NON-RESIDENT RATE FULL SUMMER: \$1500.00

PART TIME RATE: \$ 150.00 / week.

WEEK # 1- \$70.00 – WEEK # 8 - \$ 125.00

*Part time spaces only available if space permits.

323 Blue Heron Sea Cadets

West River United Church, 10 Church Rd. Cornwall

Training nights are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

What are we?

A FREE program for youth ages 12-18, where you learn tons of skills and meet new friends across the country.

WE teach sailing and seamanship; leadership and music

WE do sports and fitness, including Biathlon & Markmanship

WE do community service and citizenship

Cadets provides experiences you can't get anywhere else, such as trips, camps, competitions, exchanges, and much more! What are you waiting for? Come check us out!

Facebook: Facebook.com/323blueheron

E-mail: 323rcscblueheron@gmail.com

PEERS® - Program for the Education & Enrichment of Relations Skills

PEERS® is an evidence based program that has been field tested extensively for youth with ASD. PEERS® is a 16 week group based program that supports high functioning youth with ASD who want to make friends and socialize but may be having difficulty making and keeping friends and managing peer conflict and rejection. Lessons include: having two way conversations, entering and exiting conversations, electronic forms of communication, choosing appropriate friends, using humor appropriately, being a good sport, having successful get togethers, managing arguments with friends, and handling teasing, physical bullying and other forms of social rejection. Each weekly session includes a review from the previous week, role playing, activities and a homework assignment.

Thriving Horizons is offering the PEERS® program in the Charlottetown area for grades 6 - 8 and grades 9 - 11 from June 6 - September 19th on Tuesday evenings. Check out <https://www.thrivinghorizons.ca/home> or email thrivinghorizonspei@gmail.com